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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE

1. DR. BERND STAPPERT, EDITOR OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR SUEDEUTSCHER RUNDFUNK (SDR), WILL ARRIVE IN THE U.S. IN JUNE TO PREPARE A SERIES OF 36 RADIO PROGRAMS FOR HIS STATION ON ASPECTS OF AMERICA KEYED TO BICENTENNIAL. USIS GERMANY IS ASSISTING THE STATION WITH A GRANT AND FACILITATIVE SUPPORT.

2. DR. STAPPERT ASKS AGENCY ASSISTANCE IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS FOR TWO OF HIS PLANNED BROADCASTS.
A) FOR A PROGRAM ON POLITICAL PARTIES, DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PARTIES, AND THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS, HE WOULD LIKE TO INTERVIEW TWO U.S. SENATORS FROM DIFFERENT POLITICAL PARTIES BUT THE SAME GEOGRAPHIC REGION. HE WILL BE IN MASSACHUSETTS BETWEEN JUNE 7 AND 26 AND REQUESTS APPOINTMENTS WITH SENATORS KENNEDY AND BROOKE. THE INTERVIEWS WOULD TAKE THIRTY MINUTES EACH, RECORDED IN WHATEVER PLACE THE INTERVIEWEES SPECIFY. SHOULD THESE TWO SENATORS NOT BE AVAILABLE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ALTERNATE SUGGESTIONS.
B) FOR A PROGRAM ON PROBLEMS OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS,
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HE WISHES TO INTERVIEW BOSTON MAYOR KEVIN WHITE OR

NEW YORK MAYOR BEAME AT WHATEVER POSSIBLE TIME AND DATE
IN JUNE THE INTERVIEWEE SPECIFIES. IF NEITHER IS
AVAILABLE, HE WOULD APPRECIATE ALTERNATE SUGGESTIONS.
HE WILL FIND A SMALL CITY MAYOR ON HIS OWN.

3. DR. STAPPERT'S TRAVEL PLANS ARE NOT FIRM AS YET, BUT
BONN WILL CABLE DETAILS AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. WE WILL
GIVE HIM PRESS CENTER NUMBERS TO CONTACT WHEN HE
ARRIVES. ALTHOUGH HE WILL WORK LARGELY INDEPENDENTLY,
HE WILL APPRECIATE WHATEVER ASSISTANCE THE CENTERS CAN
RENDER. BONN WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR AN INTERIM ADVICE ON
FEASIBILITY OF FOREGOING REQUESTS.
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